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Annotations

1. Election of officers

By paragraph 6 of its resolution 54/262 of 25 May 2000, the General Assembly decided that the Commission for Social Development would serve as the preparatory committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing and, as such, would be open

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to the participation of all States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies and observers, in accordance with the established practice of the General Assembly. Accordingly, the proceedings of the Commission for Social Development acting as the preparatory committee are governed by the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

The Bureau of the thirty-eighth session of the Commission recommended that a separate Bureau should be established for the meetings of the Commission for Social Development acting as the preparatory committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing. Therefore, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council, the preparatory committee will elect a Chairman, one or more Vice-Chairmen and such other officers as may be required. The Commission acting as the preparatory committee may wish to designate one of its Vice-Chairmen to have rapporteurial responsibilities.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Rule 7 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council requires that, following the election of its officers at the beginning of the session, the Commission acting as the preparatory committee shall adopt the agenda for that session on the basis of the provisional agenda.

Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda (E/CN.5/2001/PC/1)

Note by the Secretariat on the organization of the work of the session (E/CN.5/2001/PC/L.1)

3. Preparations for the Second World Assembly on Ageing

(a) Consideration of the draft provisional rules of procedure of the World Assembly

The Commission acting as the preparatory committee will have before it for its consideration draft provisional rules of procedure submitted by the Secretariat.

Documentation

Draft provisional rules of procedure for the Second World Assembly on Ageing: note by the Secretariat (E/CN.5/2001/PC/3)

(b) Consideration of the proposed format of the World Assembly

The Commission acting as the preparatory committee will have before it a note submitted by the Secretariat concerning the proposed organization of the work of the World Assembly.

Documentation

Organization of the work of the World Assembly: note by the Secretariat (E/CN.5/2001/PC/L.-)

(c) Consideration of the draft outcome document(s) for the World Assembly

(i) Analysis of a draft Strategy for a Society for All Ages;

(ii) Analysis of policy directions and policy issues to be addressed in the revised plan of action

By paragraph 1 of its resolution 54/262 of 25 May 2000, the General Assembly decided that the Second World Assembly on Ageing would be devoted to the overall review of the outcome of the first World Assembly, as well as to the adoption of a revised plan of action and a long-term strategy on ageing, encompassing its periodic reviews, in the context of a society for all ages. It further stressed that, in fulfilling those objectives, the Second World Assembly would give particular attention, inter alia, to (a) action-oriented measures to be taken by societies in a comprehensive response to the current ageing processes, on the basis of the best practices and lessons learned during the International Year of Older Persons, and bearing in mind the social, cultural and economic realities of each society; (b) linkages between ageing and development, with particular attention to the needs and perspectives of developing countries; (c) measures to mainstream ageing within the context of current global development agendas; (d) appropriate forms of public and private partnership, including with non-governmental organizations, at all levels, for building societies for all ages; and (e) measures to strengthen the solidarity between generations, keeping in mind the needs of both older and younger generations.

In paragraphs 7 and 8 of the same resolution, the Secretary-General was requested to consult Governments, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations to elicit their views on progress in and obstacles to the implementation of the International Plan of Action on Ageing, as well as on priority issues to be addressed in a revised plan of action and a long-term strategy on ageing. To assist him in the formulation of those proposals, the Secretary-General was invited to establish a technical committee funded through voluntary contributions.

The Commission acting as the preparatory committee will have before it for its consideration a report of the Secretary-General on those issues.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Towards the Second World Assembly on Ageing" (E/CN.5/2001/PC/2)

4. Accreditation and participation of non-governmental organizations in the Second World Assembly on Ageing and its preparatory process

By paragraph 5 of its resolution 54/262 of 25 May 2000, the General Assembly invited non-governmental organizations in the field of ageing, as well as research institutions and representatives of the private sector, to participate in and contribute to the Second World Assembly on Ageing and its preparatory process.

As the preparatory body for the World Assembly, the Commission is, in accordance with the practices of the United Nations, empowered to accredit non-governmental organizations to world conferences and their preparatory processes. The Commission acting as the preparatory committee may also wish to recommend to the General Assembly proposals for the participation of non-governmental organizations in the World Assembly and its preparatory process.

Documentation

Draft decisions on accreditation and participation of non-governmental organizations in the Second World Assembly on Ageing and its preparatory process: note by the Secretariat (E/CN.5/2001/PC/-)

5. **Provisional agenda for the second session of the Commission acting as the preparatory committee**

The Commission acting as the preparatory committee will have before it the draft provisional agenda for its second session. In addition, the Commission acting as the preparatory committee may wish to review arrangements for the completion of its work before the convening of the World Assembly in Madrid in April 2002.

Documentation

Provisional agenda for the second session of the Commission acting as the Preparatory Committee for the World Assembly (E/CN.5/2001/PC/-)

6. **Adoption of the report of the Commission acting as the preparatory committee on its first session**

Documentation

Draft report of the Commission acting as the preparatory committee on its first session (E/CN.5/2001/PC/-)